

NOT VOTING—21

Ackerman	Granger	Pearce
Akin	Jackson (IL)	Ross (AR)
Bass (CA)	Jenkins	Ruppersberger
Berman	Landry	Ryan (WI)
Filner	Mack	Sessions
Gallagher	Miller, Gary	Shimkus
Garrett	Murphy (CT)	Speier

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. GARRETT. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 603, I was unable to be in attendance for this vote as I was attending the funeral of a family member. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

Stated against:

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 603, I was away from the Capitol due to prior commitments to my constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I mistakenly voted "aye" on rollcall No. 603. My intention was to vote "no."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, during the course of the week, I was absent for legislative business; had I been present, I would have cast the following votes:

Rollcall 585—H.R. 5044—On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended—"yes."

Rollcall 586—H.R. 5912—On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended—"yes."

Rollcall 587—H. Res. 788—On Ordering the Previous Question—"yes."

Rollcall 588—H. Res. 788—On Agreeing to the Resolution—"yes."

Rollcall 591—H.R. 5987—On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended—"no."

Rollcall 592—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 593—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 594—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"yes."

Rollcall 595—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 596—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 597—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"yes."

Rollcall 598—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 599—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"no."

Rollcall 600—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"yes."

Rollcall 601—H.R. 3409—On Agreeing to the Amendment—"yes."

Rollcall 602—H.R. 3409—On Motion to Re-commit with instructions—"no."

Rollcall 603—H.R. 3409—On Passage—"yes."

ADJOURNMENT TO TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

Mr. McHENRY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to

meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2012.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

VOICE OF TEXAS: PAM FROM
LIBERTY, TEXAS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I have heard from many Texas business owners who built their own business without government help. Here's what Pam from Liberty, Texas, has to say:

We are college educated, taxpaying citizens who have a lifetime of hard work under our belts. We have stayed up nights trying to figure out how we were going to pay our taxes, insurance, employees, and bank notes. We started from scratch, owning convenience stores, car washes, mini storage businesses, a clothing business, and also operated/owned two small-town movie theaters that were built by my husband's grandparents and parents. The latest is a real estate business.

There's not much that anyone can tell us about the sacrifices that have to be made when you start up your own business. We have done it all, including working full-time jobs for someone else to make ends meet. No government agency has ever helped us with one thing, but the government certainly has made our work harder and more expensive to run/operate our businesses.

Mr. Speaker, people—not the government—make America's businesses successful.

And that's just the way it is.

CONGRESS SHOULD STAY AND
WORK

(Mr. LARSON of Connecticut asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, one of my constituents wrote very emphatically: How could Congress possibly leave when they know that we the people face the deep, dark abyss of uncertainty—uncertainty about our unemployment, uncertainty about the jobs that we need, the uncertainty that comes when your mortgage is under water, the uncertainty that comes when you know that you have to educate your children, and yet Congress leaves without addressing the basic needs of the people that we're sworn to serve.

For the last week, we've heard an awful lot about work requirements. The primary work requirement that should be asked is of this United States Congress, for it to stay and do the work of the people. There is a jobs bill that's out there. There are tax cuts that can be achieved. Let's stay and do that work.

STAND UP FOR COAL

(Mr. STUTZMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the men and women who have worked tirelessly to make Indiana the best place to do business in the Midwest.

Coal produces the electricity that powers everything from manufacturing mainstays to small business startups. Mr. Speaker, coal-fired electric power plants provided 83 percent of Indiana's net electricity generation in 2011.

Rising energy prices are squeezing small businesses, entrepreneurs, and families. Unfortunately, President Obama's EPA has waged a war on coal. Unelected bureaucrats have proposed a series of sweeping regulations that would destroy jobs and decrease domestic energy production. As a result of Washington's overregulation, the Energy Information Administration expects the pace of coal-fired power plant shutdowns to increase fourfold in the next 5 years.

Today we have an opportunity to stand up for the American coal industry and the families and businesses that rely on the electricity it provides. We can ensure that regulations are sensible and not overbearing. We can make sure that coal keeps lighting homes, stores and factories in Indiana.

CONGRATULATING HOLLIS F.
PRICE MIDDLE COLLEGE

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this moment to congratulate a high school in my district, the Hollis F. Price Middle College, for receiving the U.S. News & World Report Bronze recognition as one of 2012's Best High Schools in the country.

U.S. News & World Report ranked nearly 22,000 public high schools across the country, and I'm proud that one of Memphis City Schools was recognized. This school was named after the fourth president of LeMoyne-Owen College, an Historically Black College and University in Memphis. Hollis-Price is a collaborative effort between Memphis City Schools and LeMoyne-Owen to improve graduation rates and provide accessibility for students to attend college.

I want to commend Principal Daphne Beasley, all the faculty, and the staff for their hard work and dedication. And surely the students I want to congratulate, too, and their parents on their great achievement. I was proud to speak at their graduation a few years ago. It's a great school. Continue to make Memphis proud.

PUTTING PEOPLE BEFORE
POLITICS

(Mr. DOLD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, from day one my focus in Congress has been on